# Energy Movement Quiz Answer Key

# Weatherization Energy Auditor – Single Family

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Learning Objectives

By attending this session, participants will be able to:

* Discuss the principles of energy and energy movement.
* List the three methods of heat transfer.
* Differentiate the difference between thermal and air barriers and the proper location of each.
* Recognize the forces that cause air leakage.
* Explain the connection between air leakage, energy waste, and moisture problems.
* Explain how air ducts affect the pressure balance within the home.

Questions and Rationale

**Objectives:**

* Discuss the principles of energy and energy movement.
* List the three methods of heat transfer

**Question:**

1. The type of heat transfer that does not require physical contact or a medium is:

1. Conduction.
2. Convection.
3. Radiation.

**Rationale:**

**A** is incorrect because conduction is the mode of transfer through a material.

**B** is incorrect because convection is the mode of heat transfer through air.

**C** is correct because radiation can transfer through a vacuum.

**Objectives:**

* Recognize the forces that cause air leakage
* Explain how air ducts affect the pressure balance within the home.

**Question:**

2. An example of a an air leakage driving force caused by a temperature difference between the inside and outside of a home is:

1. Wind effect.
2. Stack effect.
3. Fan effect.

**Rationale:**

**A** is incorrect because wind is a function of pressure difference caused by wind.

**B** is correct because stack effect is a function of temperature difference between inside and outside during the heating season.

**C** is incorrect because fan effect a function of pressure difference caused by fans.

**Objective:**

* Differentiate the difference between thermal and air barriers and the proper location of each.

**Question:**

3. The air barrier in most homes is made up of the:

1. The roof deck.
2. The insulation blanket.
3. The drywall.

**Rationale:**

**A** is incorrect because the roof deck is adjacent to a cold attic.

**B** is incorrect the insulation blanket should be on the cold side of the air barrier.

**C** is correct because the drywall is the primary surface that separates conditioned from unconditioned spaces.

**Objective:**

* Differentiate the difference between thermal and air barriers and the proper location of each.

**Question:**

4. A well-sealed air barrierplays a major role in:

1. Insulating the thermal envelope.
2. Retarding the movement of heat and moisture through the building.
3. Providing a vapor retarder.

**Rationale:**

**A** is incorrect because insulation’s main function is to slow down heat transfer by conduction.

**B** is correct because moisture vapor is carried by convective air currents, which accounts for the majority of heat loss in homes.

**C** is incorrect because the function of a vapor retarder is to retard the flow of moisture by diffusion.